

A Photographic History of the Smith Family

Volume 3, Album 4

Southard & Matelena

This is the third volume of photograph “albums” tracing the Smith family of Trenton, New Jersey. The 11 albums of the first volume detailed the paternal side of the family focusing on the lives of Anna Maria Kutarnia and Joseph John Smith who settled in Trenton in 1928. The 7 albums of the second volume followed the family of Valentine “Billy” Smith from Trenton with his wife Alberta to Florida with wives Dale and Joan. The pictorial story of the family continues with the third volume which reveals the maternal side of the family of Alberta Matelena through photographs.

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Album 5 contains many photographs of structures that, though old, were standing after photography came into widespread use. Many of the structures are designated historical landmarks and are still standing; the fate of others is not certain.

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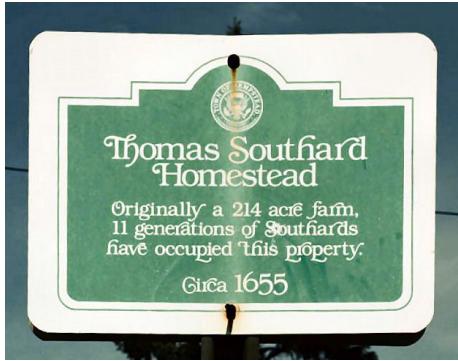
Anna Marie Kutarnia & Joseph John Smith		
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Thomas Southard appeared in Gravesend on the western edge of Long Island in 1640. After marrying Annica Jansen, he moved to Hempstead where he built his home in 1655.

It remained in the family until 2004 when the last Southard descendant to own it, Albert Waring, passed away.



891 Bellmore Avenue
Hempstead, Long Island, NY



It was, and may be, open to the public.

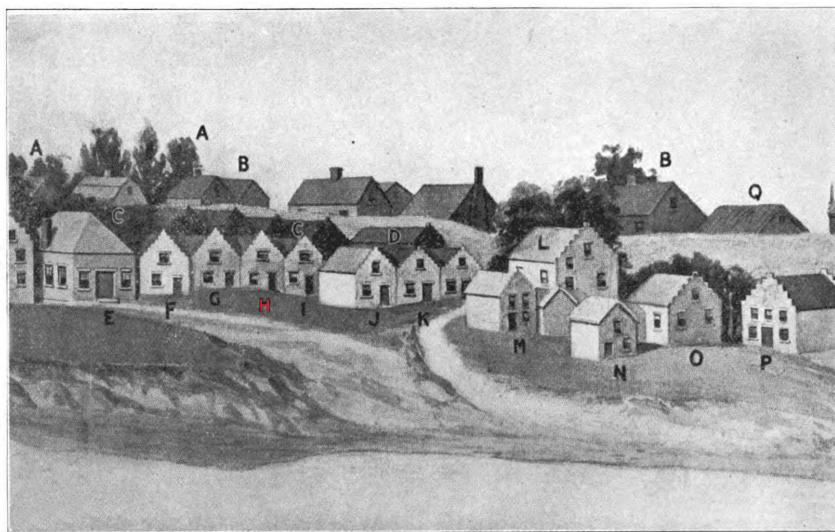


St. George's Episcopal Church, Hempstead, New York

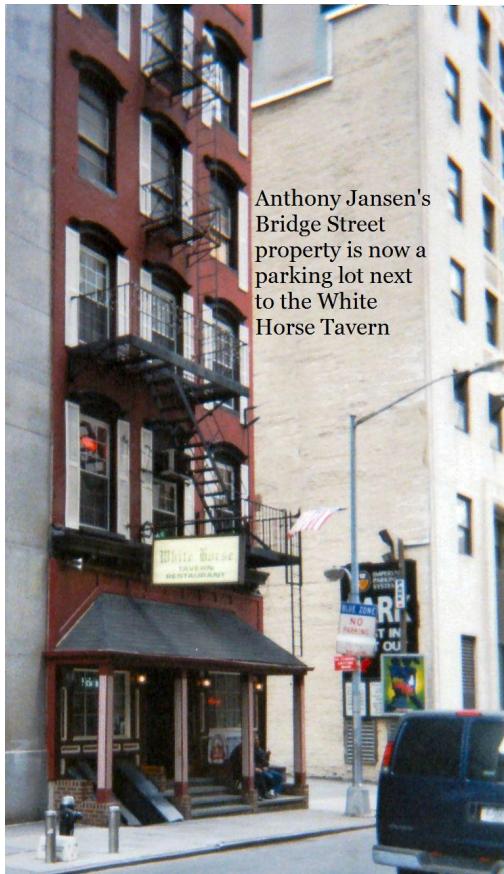
Also in Hempstead is St. George's Church where many Southard's were baptized and married.

Crossing the Hudson River into Manhattan, you can visit the lot marked 'H'.

THE EAST RIVER SHORE NEAR THE "GRAFT," 1652.
From "New Amsterdam and Its People," by J. H. Innes; copyright, 1902, by
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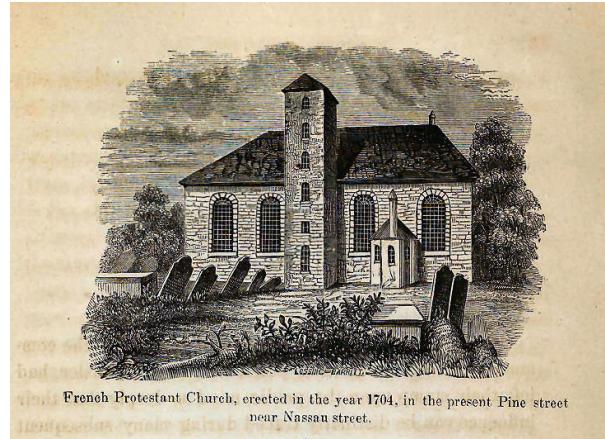
AA. Houses on the Marckveldt. BB. Houses on Marckveldt Stegh and Bever Graft. C. Rear of the "Five Houses." D. Brewery of West India Co. E. Old Church. F. Old Parsonage, where Anneke Jans, from Norway, lived. G. Hend. Hendricksen Kip. H. Anthony Jansen van Vees. I. Hendr. Jansen Smit. J. Hendr. Willemsen, baker. K. Houses of Teunis Craie. L. Jacob Wolphertsen van Couwenhoven. M. Cornelis Melyn (later occupied by Jacob Loper, a Swede). N. Capt. Jochem Pietersen Kuyter, a Dane. O. Sibout Claessen. P. Cornelis van Tienhoven. Q. Adriaen Vincent.



Though not even remotely correct as to scale and proportion, lot H with its house was the home of Anthony Jansen van Salé, *i.e. from Salé* in Morocco, who was also said to be *from Fez* or *van Vees* as in this drawing. He and his wife Grietje lived there in the middle of the 17th century.

The lot was L-shaped and located on *Brugh Street* or Bridge Street in Lower Manhattan, just west of Broad and has been preserved, as of March 2006, as the parking lot for the White Horse Tavern which, in Anthony's day, was located around the corner on Broadway.

Before leaving Manhattan, be sure to stop by the *L'Eglise du Saint-Esprit* (*Church of the Holy Spirit*) at 109-111 East 60th Street. The earlier structure is gone but its replacement contains a memorial tablet to Daniel Perrin (1640 – 1719) and Maria Thorel (1649 – 1686).



Daniel and Marie's descendant Sarah Mary Perrine married William Henry Parker; their daughter Elizabeth married John Lawrence Southard. They were the parents of Dorothy (Southard) Matelena.

Sarah lived in Crosswicks, New Jersey at the end of her life and was remembered as bring a quirky individual with a lack of tact, asking for her daughter's winter coat during her daughter's funeral. She also conveyed how to keep a carpet clean with soap, strips of wet newspaper, and a broom!



What's even more surprising is that we may know what Daniel and Marie looked like!

From Jersey to New Jersey

This painting *Landing of Governor Philip Carteret at Elizabethtowne, NJ 1665* hangs in Courtroom 204 in the old Essex County Courthouse Building. A full restoration of the building was completed in 2005. Only a few years after the buildings construction was completed in 1906, the room was described as being the office of the Essex County Board of Chosen Freeholders by Howland Delano Perrine.



Mr. Perrine included the following statement in his book *Daniel Perrin the Huguenot* that was published in 1910:

We see Daniel Perrin, a young man, standing at the extreme right leaning against the rail of the little dock. Maria Thorel, soon to become Maria Perrin, stands immediately back of the guard in the foreground with a white kerchief around her shoulders, and possibly with some or all of her wardrobe in a bundle on her arm. (Daniel and Maria are the first and fourth figures from the right.)

Enlarging the image to provide some more detail enables us to see the two persons Mr. Perrine believes to be Maria Thorel (with the white shawl at left) and Daniel Perrin (with cap at extreme right). How he came by this information is not known so it is impossible to verify his statement at this time.

Located at 470 High Street in Newark, New Jersey, the painting by Howard Pyle can be viewed by the public during business hours.





PERINE HOUSE, STATEN ISLAND
BUILT IN 1688
HOME OF THE STATEN ISLAND ANTIQUARIAN SOCIETY

Leaving Manhattan for New Jersey, be sure to make a stop on Staten Island to see the Perrin homestead in Rossville.

It is believed to have been built in the late 1680s by Daniel or his grandson Edward.



PIONEER HOME OF THE PERRINES (REAR VIEW), BUILT ABOUT 1688.
RICHMOND ROAD, STATEN ISLAND.

Crossing into New Jersey, the first stop is Middletown where Marlpit Hall is found at 137 Kings Highway. It was built in 1685 by James Grover, III (1607 – 1685) and his wife Rebecca Cheeseman (1628 – 1686). There is a possibility it was finished by their son James Grover, IV as the year of construction and James' III's year of death are the same. The oldest part of the structure is on the right.



Another Middletown home built around the same time goes by the name *Grover House* and while it was definitely a home for a member of this family, which one is not clear.



Two of their sons, Joseph and Safety, would be ancestors of Dorothy Southard.

Joseph was married to Hannah Lawrence whose father William Lawrence built a mill in Baptisbtown on the Hopp River.



The Old Mill.

Safety Grover's daughter Hannah married William Taylor (1688 – 1767) and their daughter Martha married John Shepherd (1714 – 1793) whose farm we will look at next.

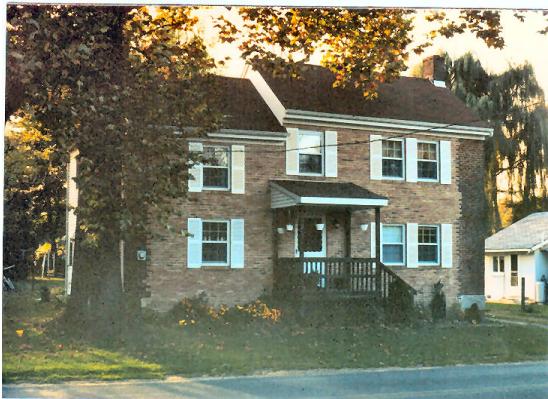
John Shepherd owned a very large farm in Monmouth County, so large in fact that he divided it into three separate farms for three sons. His son James (1751 – 1834) inherited the section on Old Harmony Road, now in Millstone Township. This passed to his son John I. Shepherd (1785 – 1867). Research into the property has not revealed who built this farmhouse which dates to 1798, his father James or grandfather John.



In Shrewsbury there is the home of Jedidiah Allen (1647 – 1712) and Elizabeth Howland (b. 1646). As is evident in these photos, the house underwent a massive refurbishment which returned it closer to its original appearance in 1710.



The earliest of the many Southard properties known to have been owned are two houses on Province Line Road in Ellisdale. Joseph Southard (1823 – 1908) purchased the one on the left in 1864 and the one on the right in 1876; the two are side-by-side just north of the Ellisdale Methodist-Episcopal Church. He and Mary Ann Smires (1827 – 1887) were the parents of Edward Southard (1846 – 1898) who was married to Mary Murphy.



Edward Southard, 1895.



Edward & Mary were living on Jacobstown-Chesterfield Road in 1875.

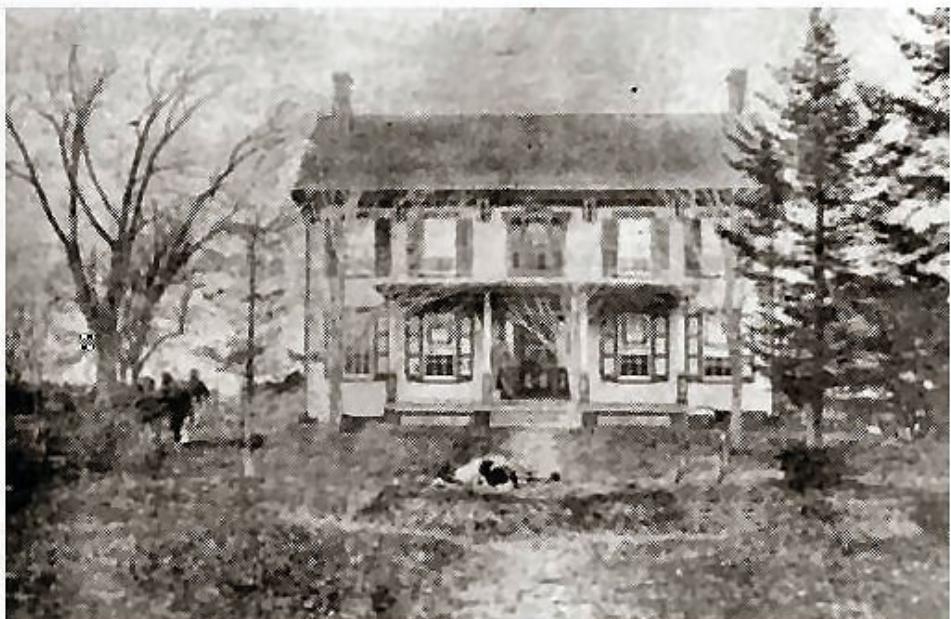


Home of Edward A. & Mary (Murphy) Southard, circa 1875
Jacobstown-Chesterfield Road, Chesterfield Township

By 1890 they were renting a farm in Cookstown.



In 1908 the widowed Mary (Murphy) Southard bought the Chesterfield Farm which was remodeled several times before it was lost in a fire in 1964.

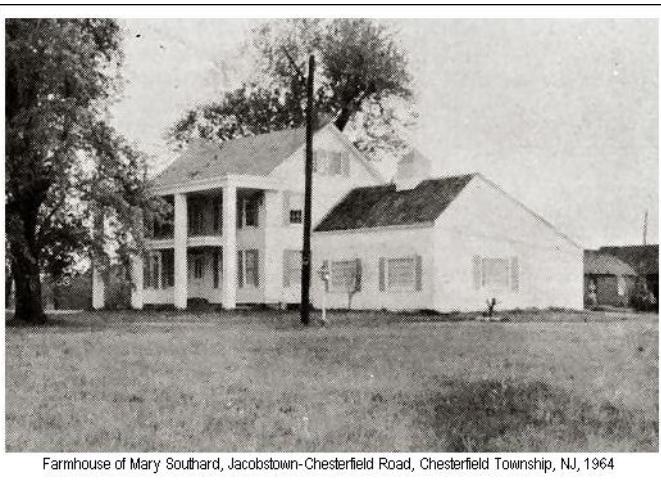
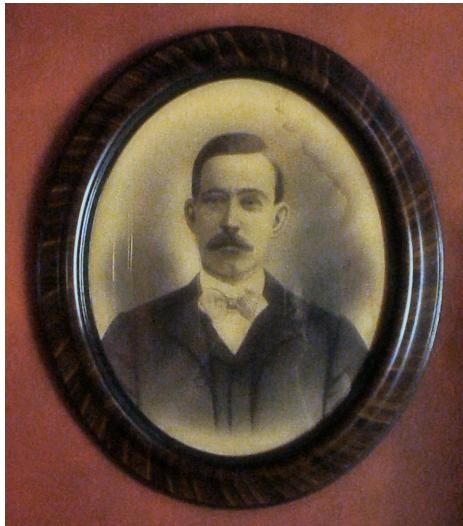


Farmhouse of Mary Southard, Jacobstown-Chesterfield Road, Chesterfield Township, NJ
Pictured here as it probably looked when purchased in 1908



This photo dates to around 1940 and the people identified by Marion (Southard) Naples include *Grandmom Southard*, her son *Uncle Joe*, and an *Uncle John* whose identity has been, unfortunately, lost.

Uncle Joe inherited the farm which he remodeled extensively.



Farmhouse of Mary Southard, Jacobstown-Chesterfield Road, Chesterfield Township, NJ, 1964

In 1905 John and Elizabeth lived on Main Street in Crosswicks.



Home of John L. and Elizabeth Southard, Main Street, Crosswicks, circa 1905



Elizabeth, Atlantic City boardwalk, 1908.

Daughters Marion & Elizabeth, ca 1910.



Dorothy Ruth Southard, 1909



John Lawrence Southard, 1910



54 Crosswicks Street, Bordentown, 1910



Elizabeth (r) and her sister Emily (l) on the farm of Emily and her husband Charles Woodward, New Egypt, ca1910



Summer

1910

Bordentown

NJ



(unknown)

John L. & Elizabeth Southard

Emily (Southard) Woodward

(unknown)

Edith Southard

John Wilson Southard

Marion & Dorothy Southard

Driver, John L. Southard and passenger, brother-in-law Norman Parker; unknown in rear, 1911.

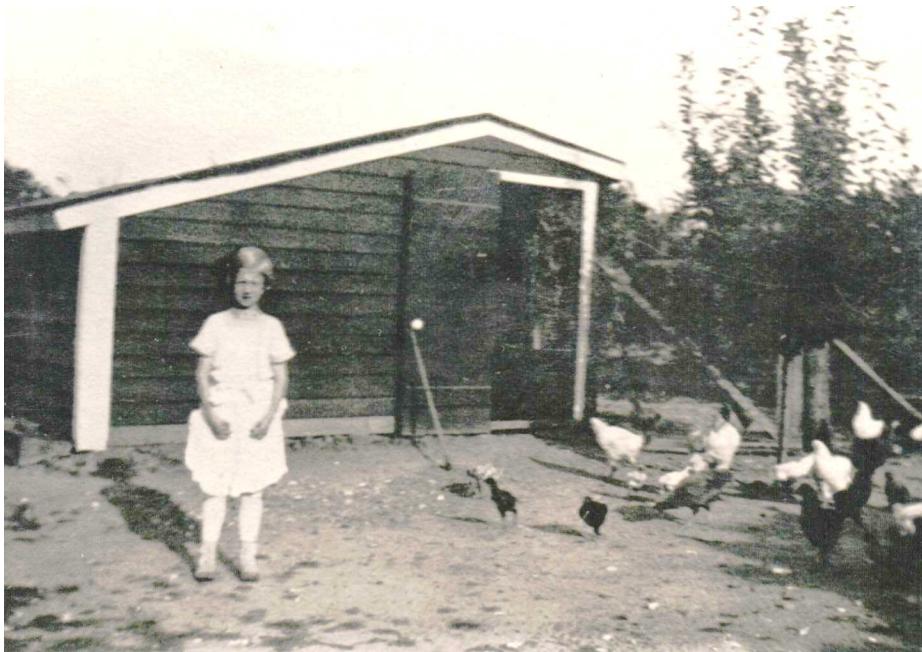




Uncle Joe Southard, Ollie is unknown, Grandma Mary Southard, Aunt Lydia Southard, me (Marion Southard), Dot (Dorothy), and ?; 1912.



Dorothy Southard was living with her aunt, Lillian (Parker) Chapman on her farm in Sykesville, NJ; 1914.



After the death of her husband John, Elizabeth moved to Trenton, NJ.



Chesterfield Public School

Chesterfield Public school



Bordentown - Public School on Crosswicks Street - 1909

Bordentown Public school

Before heading to Trenton, there is one stop to make in Allentown.

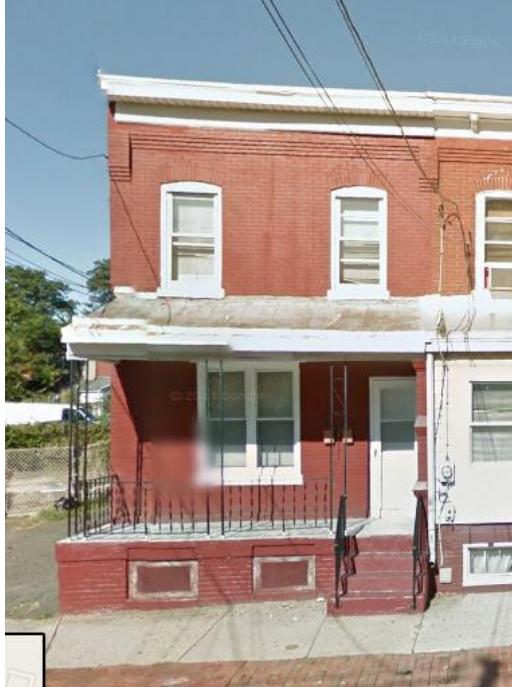
James R. Parker (1820-1896) and Catherine R. Parker (1827-1915) owned a house on Main Street from 1866 to 1868 (*left*). James caught pneumonia while at Ford's Mill at 42 South Main Street (*right*).



After the death of her husband, Catherine lived on Walker Avenue.



Elizabeth moved to Trenton around 1914 and worked as a maid; she moved to her brother-in-law Edward Southard, 1726 East State Street (*l*), Hamilton Township by 1917. In 1918 she moved to 886 East State Street (*r*), Trenton and ran a sandwich shop, living above the shop.



Dorothy, Wilson, & Marion Southard ca 1918



Neighbor and friend Edna Denelsbeck and Elizabeth in the backyard of the shop.



Dorothy Southard



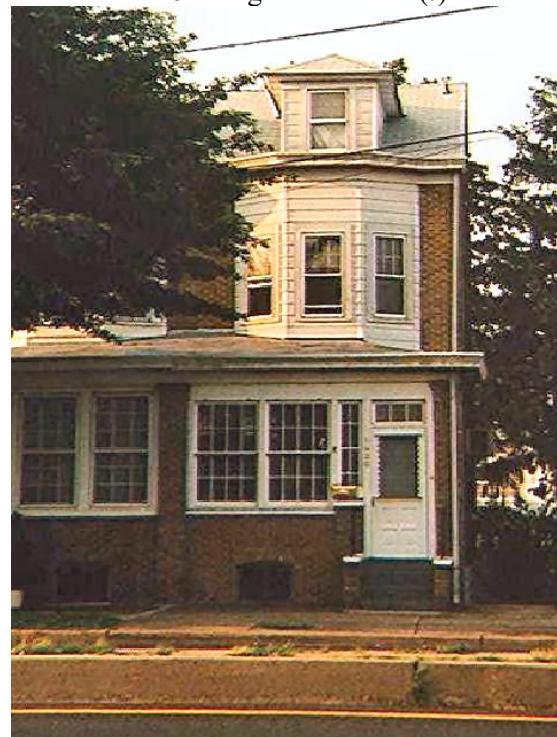
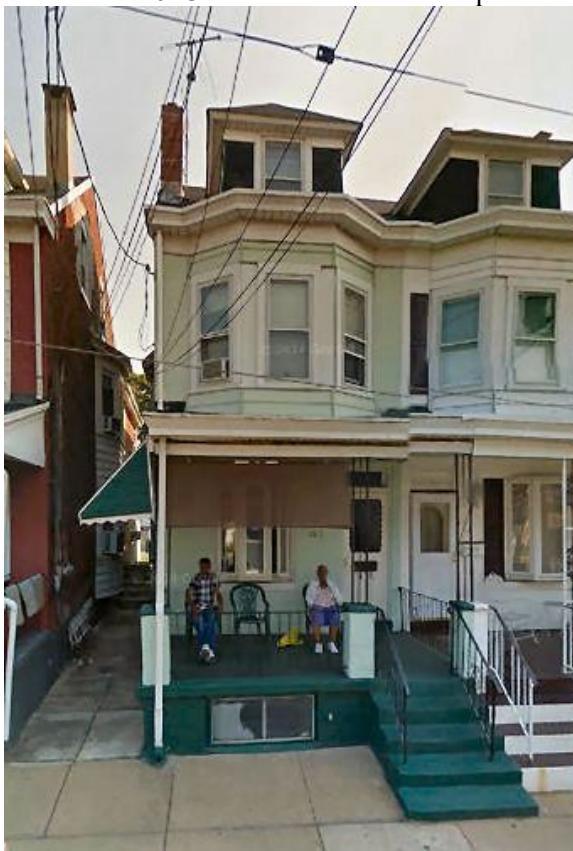
114 Pennington Avenue, Trenton, ca 1920

Marion Southard



Elizabeth in the back yard of the shop, 1920

In March 1923 Elizabeth married Joseph VanKirk and lived at 522 Ingham Avenue (*l*) at first.



They soon moved to 1620 South Broad Street
Elizabeth Van Kirk, 1925

Marion Southard, 1921.



127 Columbus Avenue, 1927

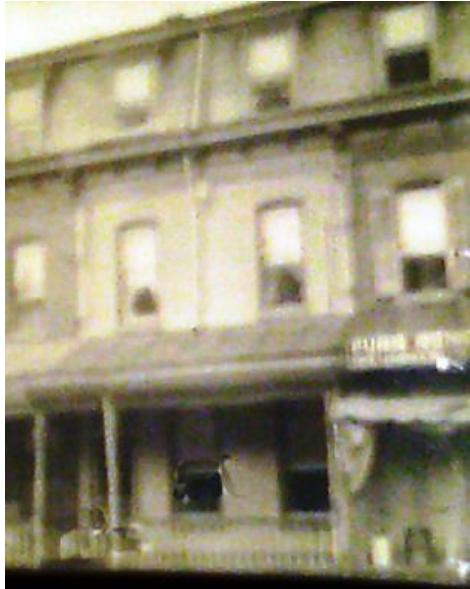


Two of their homes

114 Pennington Avenue, 1928



Joe VanKirk was at 10 West End, 1930



Mary (Sacco) Matelena &
Mary (Murphy) Southard,
Chesterfield, NJ, 1932



Mary (Murphy) Southard, Chesterfield, NJ, June 1938



Chesterfield, NJ

Dorothy Matelena
(front left),
Mary Southard
(seated)

1939





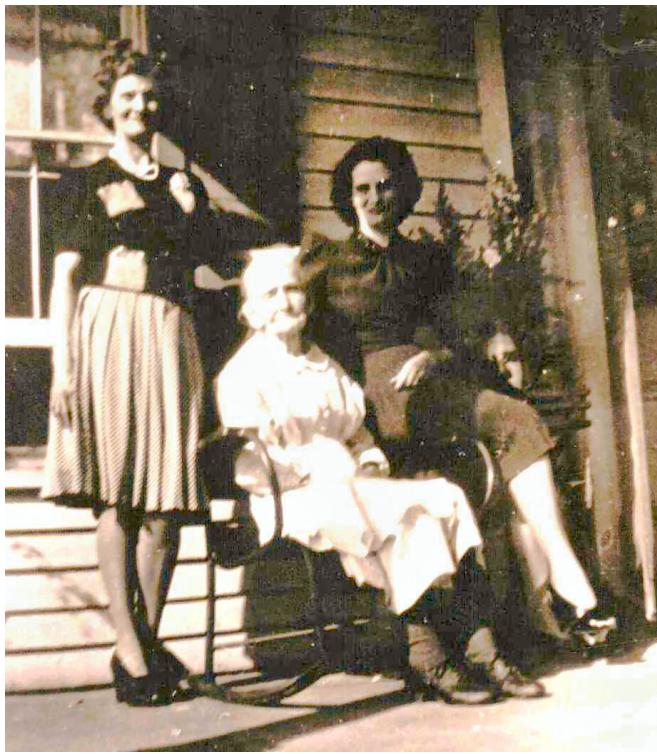
Chesterfield
Marie & Dot
Mary Southard
Dorothy
& Alberta
1939



Alberta, Dorothy, Mary Matelena & Dorothy, 1941



Mary (Murphy) Southard, Chesterfield Farmhouse (c1940)



Chesterfield,
Dorothy Matelena, Marion Naples &
Mary Southard
August 1942



886 East State is still in the food business!

Dorothy (Southard) Matelena ?

? Dorothy Matelena Albert Matelena

1942

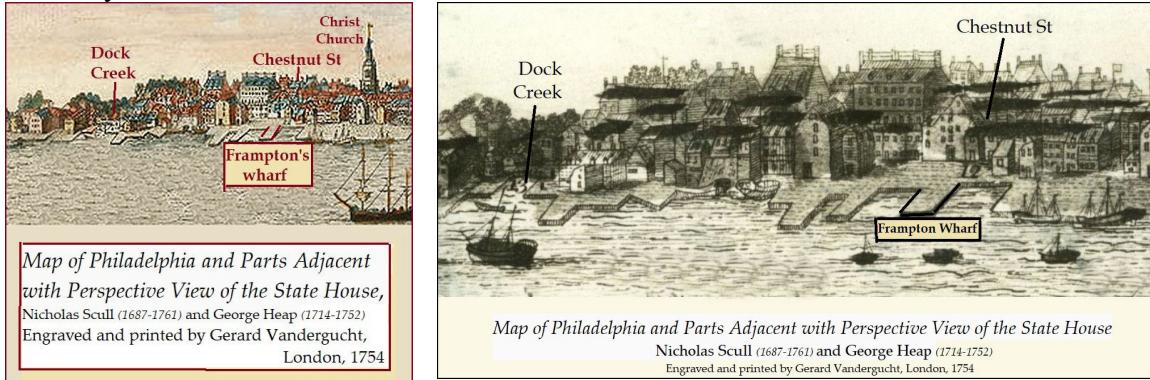


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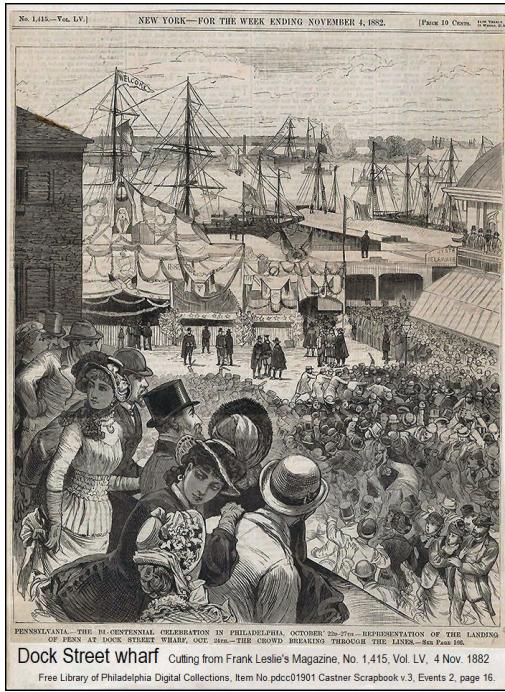
Alberta Matelena

William Frampton and Elizabeth Potter of Philadelphia

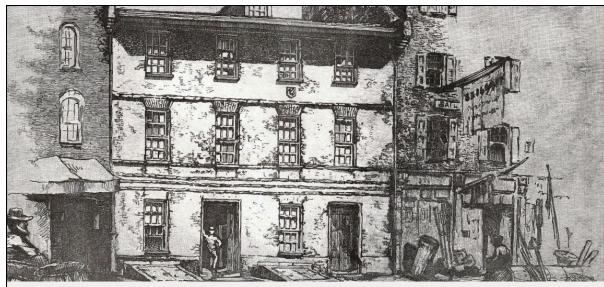
By 1695 William built a wharf where Chestnut Street met the Delaware River



Dock Street wharf was south of his wharf



213 South Front Street in the late 17th century
may have looked similar to their residence
which was one block north.



213 South Front Street, Philadelphia
(west side at Spruce Street, 1 block south of Frampton residence)
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